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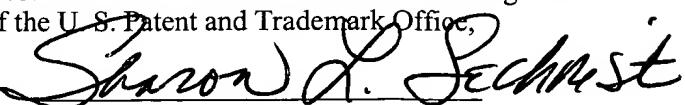
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Council, Jr. et al.
Application No.: Not Yet Assigned
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee, please amend the above-referenced new application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please add the following language below the title:

A1 --- This is a Divisional Application of US Serial No. 09/346,825 filed on July 2, 1999, which is a Divisional of US Serial No. 09/146,366 filed September 9, 1998 now US Patent No. 5,931,068

In the Claims:

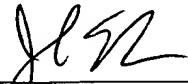
Please cancel claims 1-17, 21 and 22.

REMARKS

The present claims are claims 18-20 and 23, which claims were non-elected in response to a restriction requirement in the parent application.

An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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